

AMENDMENTS IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A cradle for a portable terminal comprising:

a desk-top housing;

a cradle housing ~~including an upper portion with a first opening, a rear portion with a second opening, and a front portion and a pair of lateral portions which form a closed wall, the~~ cradle housing having a recess ~~defined by the closed wall in order to cradle a~~ for cradling the portable terminal, the cradle housing being ~~rotatably mounted in~~ about a hinge axis on the desk-top housing ~~so such that the rear~~ a lower portion of the cradle housing is retractable within and protractible out from ~~the desk-top housing; and~~

an optical ~~alignment~~ system mounted within ~~at a predetermined position of~~ the cradle housing and emitting a beam in a predetermined direction.

2. (Currently Amended) The cradle for a the portable terminal according to claim 1, wherein the optical ~~alignment~~ system ~~further~~ comprises a laser beam projector ~~mounted on the rear portion of the cradle housing to emit the beam in a rearward direction.~~

3. (Currently Amended) The cradle for the a portable terminal according to claim 1, wherein the desk-top housing ~~further~~ comprises a display unit, at least one key disposed adjacent to the display unit, and at least one lamp disposed adjacent to the key and the display unit, ~~the display unit, the key and the lamp being mounted at a front portion of the desk-top housing.~~

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) The cradle for the a portable terminal according to claim 1, wherein the optical ~~alignment~~ system is mounted within ~~on a lower side of the lower rear~~ portion of the cradle housing.

6. (Currently Amended) The cradle for the a portable terminal according to claim 1, wherein the optical projection alignment system is concealed in the desk-top housing when the

cradle housing is retracted within the desk-top housing and is exposed when the cradle housing is protracted out from ~~pops in and out the desk-top housing according to a rotating direction of the cradle housing.~~

7. (New) The cradle for the portable terminal according to claim 1, wherein the cradle housing is rotatably mounted within the desk-top housing.

8. (New) The cradle for the portable terminal according to claim 1, wherein only a rear section of the lower portion of the cradle housing is retractable within and protractible out from the desk-top housing.